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Sir:

SUBMISSION OF SEQUENCE LISTING AND VERIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.821

Applicants file this Submission in reply to the Office action mailed March 12,

2001. This Submission is due by April 12, 2001, and is timely filed.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on line 4 of page 22 with the following new paragraph:

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Very recently, the applicant has demonstrated that it was also particularly advantageous to use, as adjuvant in transfection compositions, a compound involved, directly or otherwise, in the condensation of nucleic acids. This compound consists, completely or in part, of peptide units (KTPKKAKKP) (SEQ ID NO: 1) and/or (ATPAKKAA) (SEQ ID NO: 2), it being possible for the number of units to vary between 2 and 10. Such an agent can also be derived from a portion of a histone, a nucleolin, a protamine and/or one of their derivatives (WO 96/25508). Such a compound may be advantageously incorporated into the claimed composition.

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